

REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for the allowable subject matter of Claim 28. The Examiner has objected to Claim 28 as being dependent on rejected claims. Applicant notes that each of the independent claims have been amended to include the subject matter of the foregoing claim (along with the limitations of any intervening claims).

Thus, all of the independent claims are deemed allowable. Moreover, the remaining dependent claims are further deemed allowable, in view of their dependence on such independent claims.

In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (408) 505-5100. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1351 (Order No. NAI1P251/01.088.01).

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